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TO:

All Parties of Record

All Interested Parties

AZ CORP COMMISSION BOCKET CONTROL

FROM:

Ernest & Johnson

Director

Utilities Division

DATE:

July 24, 2008

RE:

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S FIFTH BIENNIAL TRANSMISSION ASSESSMENT ("BTA"), PURSUANT TO A.R.S.40-360.02G, OF THE ADEQUACY OF EXISTING AND PLANNED TRANSMISSION FACILITIES TO

MEET ARIZONA'S ENERGY NEEDS IN A RELIABLE MANNER

(Docket No. E-00000D-07-0376)

This shall serve as notice that the first draft copy of the Fifth Biennial Transmission Assessment has been posted for public comment on the Commission website under the tab "HOT TOPICS." Staff of the Commission has also docketed a copy of the first draft in the above referenced docket.

The comment period for the first draft extends through August 6, 2008. Your participation and contribution in the review of the first draft copy of the Fifth Biennial Transmission Assessment upcoming process is welcomed and encouraged. Comments should be filed with Docket Control and a copy should be mailed and e-mailed to Staff Engineer Prem Bahl and to the Commission's retained consulting firm, KR Saline & Associates, at the addresses listed below. Comments should be provided in narrative form, no redline versions of the draft copy are requested.

Questions or inquiries regarding the comment process should be made directly to the following key KR Saline personnel involved with the Fifth BTA:

Project Manager Laurie A. Woodall law@krsaline.com (480) 610-8741 Technical Advisor Jerry D. Smith P.E. <u>ids@krsaline.com</u> (480) 610 8741

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Please provide Staff Engineer Prem Bahl and KR Saline personnel any information or material you feel would be beneficial to this assessment of the Arizona transmission system. Mr. Bahl can be reached at (602) 542-7269.

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